

**TITLE & ABSTRACT**

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**Video apparatus, notably video recorders, and processes for use in said video apparatus**

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A video apparatus has a first circuit (for instance an analog recording and reproducing unit) generating a first baseband analog video signal on a first output.

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A second circuit (for instance a video decoder), at least connectable (for instance through a path switch) to the first output, can digitise the first baseband analog video signal and process and output a corresponding digital stream on a second output.

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The second output is in turn at least connectable (for instance through a digital switch) to a third circuit (for instance a video encoder) generating on a third output a second baseband analog video signal on the basis of the digital stream.

Processes to take advantage of this structure are proposed.